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WE ARE IN THE MIDDLE IN THE COMING DISPUTE BETWEEN SEVENTH FLEET AND AFPAC OVER JOINT OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THIS MISSION. TO PREVENT ANY FURTHER DISCORD WE EARNESTLY URGE THAT CINCPAC AND SEVENTH FLEET BE KEPT ADVISED OF ALL STEPS INVOLVING ESD 44 AND AFPAC. THIS PARTICULARLY APPLIES TO THE SETTING UP OF THE LIAISON SECTION IN TOKYO UNDER LT. COL. ROBERT J. DELANEY, OF WHICH WE LEARNED QUITE BY ACCIDENT WHILE I WAS IN TOKYO. AS YET THERE IS NO OFFICIAL WORD SO FAR AS THIS HEADQUARTERS IS CONCERNED, AND I AM REASONABLY SURE THE FLEET HAS NOT BEEN ADVISED SINCE ADMIRAL COOKE HAS ADVISED SINSPUC THAT THE LIAISON SHOULD BE EFFECTED THROUGH COMNAVHAP, WHICH IS COOKE'S REPRESENTATIVE IN MACARTHUR'S COMMAND. KEEPING CINCPAC AND FLEET FULLY INFORMED IS A SMALL MATTER TO YOU BUT OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO US.

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